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All "A's" Each 6 Weeks

FIRST GRADE
Derrick Cook, Victoria "Toni" Brooks, Casey Medlock, Alexa Puckett, Kayla Kelley, Shea Manning, Stephanie Baxley, Shawna Whitfield, LaRay Williams, Ashleigh Waddell, Todd Kelley, Timothy Jackson, Shawanna Wright, Amanda Mauldin, Reynar Rogers, Elena McCormick.

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Colby Capps, Mary Katherine Head, Katie Dyess, Jasmine Roberts, Blake Brunson, Hannah Martin, Lance Cross.

FOURTH GRADE
Brittany Daniels, Bart Barnes, Deann Smith, Brandon Petty.

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Gavin Mauldin, Katie Grimes, Chelsea Cooper, Wesley Kelley, Stephanie Sasser, Casey Skinner.

SIXTH GRADE
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FOURTH GRADE
Jason Curran, Blake Lambert, Zachary Praytor, Joshua Tice, Kristy

FIFTH GRADE
Gavin Mauldin, Katie Grimes, Chelsea Cooper, Wesley Kelley, Stephanie Sasser, Casey Skinner.

SIXTH GRADE
Ward, Sheena Flowers, Elizabeth Farris, Devri Kilcrease, Carla Roberts, Misty Moore, Megan Parrish.

FIFTH GRADE
Rachel Bludworth, Austin Boothe, Alex Brunson, Ashley Harrison, Sara Purvis, Ashley Lamb, Lowayne Keesley, Kesley Tyson, Evan Maddox, Kevin Tyson, Shannon Winters, Jonathan Head.

SIXTH GRADE
Valerie Moore, Neil Granham, Clay Suttley, Carey Holloway, Amanda Beerenstrauch, Carmena Coleman, Brandon Salter, Job Bowers, Michelle Lewis, Adam Waddell, Roschanda McKinnon, Ginter Akridge.

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investigated. 35 dogs were picked up and one returned to its owner. Hooks updated the council on the two recent boom threats and the actions being taken. He also gave members of the news media copies of a prepared news release on this matter.

Haywood commended the chief and police department for a job well done. The council told City Clerk Clark that city employees and equipment were behind in city work and unavailable to cut bushes around the lakeshore of the Elba Country Club. The council was informed of a change in the state law (Section 11-51-90) which allows an increase from \$50 to \$55.00 in the clerk's fee for issuing business licenses. Haywood recommended the increase be approved for the coming year. The matter will be discussed again at the next council meeting.

The Elba Rescue Squad received approval to sponsor Walker Brothers Circus on Sunday afternoon, October 15th. The city will waive all fees and permits. The circus will be set up next to the old football stadium. The rescue squad will get a profit from each advance ticket sold. Haywood recommended approval and the council members voted unanimously to do so. The council again discussed auditing city sales tax accounts. Additional information was requested by council members and the matter will be discussed again at a later meeting. The council approved monthly bills totaling \$16,332.79.

ATTENTION FARMERS

There will be a Farmers Market every Saturday during the growing season. Farmers are invited to bring their excess produce to the square in downtown Elba. Parking will be made available inside the courthouse square.

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MAKING OURSELVES CLEARER

The Elba Clipper wants to correct errors that appear in this newspaper. Any reader wishing to point out our errors, whether ours or those of our sources, should contact the editor at 897-2231. Clarifications will appear promptly in this space.

Clark Theatres - Enterprise

I-CASPER June 16-22 (PG)
M-F 7:00, 9:00, 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
II-CONGO (PG-13)
M-F 7:00, 9:00, 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
III-DIE HARD WITH A VENGEANCE (R)
M-F 7:00, 9:00, 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
IV-CRIMINAL MIND (R)
M-F 7:00, 9:00, 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00

College Cinema

I-BATMAN FOREVER (PG-13)
M-F 7:00, 9:00, 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
II-BRAVEHEART (R)
M-F 7:00, 9:00, 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
III-THE BRIDGES OF MADISON COUNTY (R)
M-F 7:00, 9:00, 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
BARCLAY MATINEES SAT 2:00 PM
THRU FRI 1:00 PM, ALL MATS 5:00 PM

Elba Elementary School Award's Day held May 29th

Elba Elementary School held Awards Day on May 29, 1995 to recognize students' special achievements and academic honors for the 1994-95 school year. A capacity crowd of parents and grandparents joined the students and faculty in the cafeteria for the awards presentations. The program opened with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Mrs. Kate Ham's second grade class singing "America". Mr. Dale Crowe, principal; Mrs. Marsha Oggs, school counselor; and Mrs. Judy Killingsworth, curriculum supervisor, presented certificates and ribbons to the award winners. To recognize the extraordinary year of the Elba Elementary Student Council officers and representatives during the 1994-95 school year, Mrs. Sonja Helms, and Mrs. Oggs, student council sponsors, presented the library with a check for \$1500.00 to purchase a CD ROM. They also gave the Physical Education Department a check for \$300.00 toward equipment for the new playground. Following the award presentations, the student body was challenged to keep their winning attitude. The award winners were congratulated for achieving their goals for the 1994-1995 school year.

FIRST GRADE
Most Improved Academically
Brandy Brooks, Justin Knight, Derek Harvey, Emily Bradshaw, Cassandra Flowers, Chase Graham.

Sunshine Award
Derrick Cook, Shea Manning, Casey Medlock, Amber Pike, Ashleigh Waddell, Amanda Mauldin.

Effort Award
Victoria Brooks, Alexa Puckett, Jenna Wilson, Mason Guiley, Todd Kelley, Alan Willis.

Sportsmanship (P.E.)
Laray Williams, Lamar Ware, Elena McCormick.

Most Improved Athletically (P.E.)
Mason Guiley, Jennifer Reeves, Tasha Reed.

SECOND GRADE
Most Improved Academically
Malloy Allen, Anthony Edwards, Christina Curry, Samuel Pulliam, Rusty Smith.

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Kristin Barnes, Lance Suttley, Josh Boutwell, Kawana Johnson, Ryan Craighead.

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Ryan Gibbs, Bradley Bane, Mary Mauldin, Adam Spicer, Ashley Gibson.

Sportsmanship (P.E.)
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Jamarius Anderson, Sierra Hussey.

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Sunshine Award
Matthew Curran, Jasmine Roberts, Ralston Moore, Neal Pouncey.

Effort Award
Coby Capps, Leanea Pridden, Shonda Morris, Marcus Murphy.

Sportsmanship (P.E.)
Amanda Richardson, Marcus Murphy, Lance Cross.

Most Improved Athletically (P.E.)
Shauna Hammond, Lee Boutwell, Neal Pouncey.

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Joshua Tice, Anthony Parrish, Chris Carney, Brian Brunson.

Sunshine Award
Zachary Praytor, Delora Moore, Jimmy Olson, Misty Moore.

Effort Award
Blake Lambert, Erin Marler, Shawna Hill, Michael Conely.

Sportsmanship (P.E.)
Devri Kilcrease, Josh Tice, Zach Praytor.

Most Improved Athletically (P.E.)
Danae Ware, Chris Brunson, Chris Byfield.

FIFTH GRADE
Most Improved Academically
Hunter Branch Carr, Deanna Olson, Gary Williams.

Sunshine Award
Miranda Russell, Carmella Rayborn, Stephanie Sasser.

Effort Award
Bobbie Jo York, Amanda Spicer, Kara Gilles.

Sportsmanship (P.E.)
Melissa Kelley, Jason Guiley.

Most Improved Athletically (P.E.)
Courtney Jackson, Rush Brunson, Richard Boutwell.

SIXTH GRADE
Most Improved Academically
Neil Granham, Michelle Daniels, Atonya Parrish, Tony Burks.

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Effort Award
Carey Holloway, Nimesha Patel, Renae Carpenter, Bridgett Curry.

Sportsmanship (P.E.)
Rene Wambles, Vinson Hammonds, Jassen Hays.

Most Improved Athletically (P.E.)
Heather Hudson, Justin Jackson, Brian Rhodes.

SPECIAL AREA TEACHERS
Ms. Carlson, LD
Danielle Tharp, Chris Carney.

Mrs. Janice Clark, MR (1-3)
Stefana Burks, Most Improved Academically.
Jessie Thigpen, Sunshine.

Mrs. Sonja Helms, Speech
Chase Graham, Most Improved.
Lee Boutwell, Most Improved.

Mrs. Katrina Parmer, MR (4-6)
Regina Warren, Most Improved Academically.

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Elba W & E Board meeting routine

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

The Elba Water & Electric Board voted last week to convert Water Supervisor Dennis Coleman from hourly wages to salary. It was explained that his salary was arrived at by taking his total annual earning last year, including overtime, and dividing that by 52 to reach a fair weekly salary. To this was added the 5% (\$20 maximum) per week raise granted all employees several months ago. Monthly bills totaling \$34,124 were approved for payment. City Clerk Henry Clark told board members the new water line extension would be tested in the next few days and should be open in another week, assuming ADEM gives the official approval. Clark noted the water pressure was better than expected at the end of the line near the county landfill. Acting chairman Bill Brunson observed the water line was installed by city crews after bids from private contractors exceeded estimates. He said it was estimated the utility department crews could do the job for about \$190,000 and it appeared they were going to end up spending about \$200,000. The low bid price had been \$307,000.

The utility is expecting to pick up about 75 additional water customers plus give better service to many existing customers in the Smith Avenue area. Coleman reported the water department had serviced 34 work orders and repaired 14 water leaks. They had completed a toxicity test at the sewer lagoon. This test has been costing \$2,000 per quarter. Coleman said he had requested and received permission from ADEM to stop conducting this test because the test always show good results. Celluar One requested permission to place antennas or micro-wave transmitters on the water tank at the school. The board gave verbal approval to such a lease at \$50 per antenna. The firm said they would install a booster immediately and have the permanent system working within four weeks. Jeff Puckett, electric department

City BOE looking at zero tolerance & no fight policies

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

The regular monthly meeting of the Elba City School Board was held on June 13th at 5:45 p.m. New chairman Daniel Stephens presided. Superintendent Charles Pearce recommended hiring Mr. Harrison Minnis to serve as basketball coach and teach driver education. The vote was unanimous. The board accepted the resignation of Pam Huggins as high school science teacher. Again the vote was unanimous. Mrs. Ruby Stinson submitted her request to retire and the board approved her request. Stinson was teaching 3rd grade at the time of her retirement. Pearce gave board members a review of the need to develop and implement a "No Fight" policy. The board was asked to review a proposal for such a policy and be prepared to vote on the issue at the July board meeting. The board also discussed a proposed "Zero Tolerance" policy on guns, drugs and weapons at school. The next meeting of the school board is scheduled for July 13.



RETIRING AFTER 28 YEARS... Mrs. Willie Mae Wilson recently retired from Elba Nursing Home after 28 years of dedicated service. Mrs. Wilson began her nursing of service on January 2, 1967. The nursing home began its operation on the day prior to her employment. She has been a part of its progress from the original 40 bed capacity to its current 91 beds. Certainly, Mrs. Wilson can say she had an interesting first and last day. Her first day involved all tasks related to new operations, while her last day was one in which all 91 residents were moved from the facility because of a bomb threat. Mrs. Wilson plans to do a lot of fishing and has already been back to the nursing home to assist with a recent fishing trip by some of the residents. Her many friends and fellow employees wish her the best of luck in all her future plans. Above, Marie LePore, RN (right), Elba Nursing Home's director of nursing, presents Mrs. Wilson (left) with a plaque honoring her for her years of service.

Rep. Everett's bill temporarily blocks proposal to move ATTC

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

In recent months, the military has been studying a proposal to relocate Ft. Rucker's Aviation Technical Test Center (ATTC). Last Thursday, Congressman Terry Everett was successful in getting an amendment to the 1996 National Authorization Act passed blocking the proposed move to Yuma. The vote was 411 to 14. Although the amendment does not assure the ATTC will remain at Ft. Rucker permanently, it does block the move until an independent study of the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of the move can be made. According to Everett, Togo West, Secretary of the Army, will be the one to decide whether or not the ATTC will remain at Ft. Rucker or be moved to Yuma Proving Grounds in Arizona.

Should West agree to the move, Everett's amendment prohibits the Army from consolidating the center until 60 days after an independent study is completed and the results given to Congress. The study will be conducted by the Institute for Defense Analyses to consider and evaluate the following: 1) validation of Army Materiel Command and Test and Evaluation Command studies, 2) cost and effect of maintenance and logistics capabilities to support the test fleet, 3) availability of facilities and infrastructure at Yuma, 4) availability of engineers and

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Myron Williams, an investigator with the sheriff's department, said, "We also encountered a number of vehicles that were attempting to drive through the county with alcohol in the driver and passenger area of the vehicle." While Enterprise is a "wet" city, the county remains dry. An individual can purchase alcoholic beverages within the city limits of Enterprise, but once he or she leaves the city limits, the alcohol must be placed in the trunk or in the rear of the truck. This is the only legal way to

transport alcohol in a dry county. Also, the beverages, such as beer, cannot be "iced down" and transported. If this is done, it will be in violation of the law. According to Williams, there is also a limit as to how much alcohol may be transported. The maximum amount of alcohol that can be possessed by one person is: three quarts of liquor or wine and one case of malt or brewed beverages (beer) provided there is no alcoholic beverages shall be kept, stored, or possessed in the passenger area of any vehicle or in view of any passenger. "Some people question the validity of law enforcement officers seizing their alcohol," said Williams, "but this is an effort by officers to make our highways a safer place upon which to travel."

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LET'S GO FISHIN'... Some of the residents of the Elba Nursing Home took a day off from their usual routines and went fishing. The residents went to the Coffee County Public Lake and fished most of the morning on June 13, 1995. This outing, an enjoyable one, was quite different from the one taken on Friday, May 26, when the nursing home had to be evacuated due to a bomb threat. The fishing trip was made possible by several local businesses. The nursing home would like to thank the following businesses and organizations for their contributions to the trip: Ace Hardware, The Alabama Highwayman Club, Bradley's Florist and Gift, First Baptist Church of Elba, Kometz Culhoun Insurance, Cash Brothers Leasing, Dixie Printing, H & R Block, The Jewel Box, Johnson Realty and Bookkeeping, Martin's Inc., and Robbie & Sons.

State Sen. Adams proposes study of higher education spending & facilities

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

A bill has been introduced in the Alabama State Senate which calls for the review of the state's higher educational institutions. Senator Dwight Adams of Enterprise is the sponsor of the bill. Under the provisions of the proposed bill, an independent commission would be established to review the state's large number of four-year and junior colleges and determine if any should be closed or consolidated.

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25 YEARS OF SERVICE... The last meeting of the Elba Lions Club was a very special one for Mr. Robert Stephens. He was presented with a 25-year service pin. On hand to make the presentation was Peter S. Dimaggio, a District Governor 345 with the International Association of Lions Clubs. In recognizing Mr. Stephens, Dimaggio commented, "Twenty-five years of service is not something to be taken lightly." Pictured above is Stephens' (left) accepting his pin and certificate of recognition from the District Governor.

* * HAPPENINGS

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING. The Coffee County Commission will hold its regular bi-monthly meeting Monday, June 26, 1995, at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room located in the Farm Center Complex in New Brockton.

CELEBRATION IN THE PARK. The New Brockton Beautification Committee will host a Fourth of July Celebration in the town's park located adjacent to town hall on Saturday, July 1st from 9:00 a.m. until 9:30 p.m. There will be entertainment, arts and crafts for sale and plenty of food to munch on.

FIREWORKS DISPLAY ON THE LAKE. The Opp Jaycees will sponsor a 4th of July Fireworks Display at Lake Frank Jackson located just off U.S. Highway 331 north of Opp. The show is scheduled to begin at approximately 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 4th. The state entry fee to the lake will be in effect until 4:00 p.m. at which time the state will begin to waive the fee for everyone entering the park.

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION. Ft. Rucker will host an Independence Day Celebration on July 4th at the Center Parade Field on Novosel Street. Festivities will get under way at 2:00 p.m. with food vendors, face painting, balloons, glow-in-the-dark rides and many other events for the entire family. There will be band concerts, a pageant of flags and a salute to the Union. The celebration will climax with a fireworks display set to begin at 9:00 p.m.

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BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Father's Day was great at our house! Heddy cooked some good groceries and the children were all home to help eat them. There was one down side however. Heddy gave me a nicely wrapped package with some new clothes. A pair of shorts in the assortment, gotten off a no-return bargain table, were size 36! Even as conservative as I am, the decision was easy to make. I ain't gonna lose down to size 36 (4 inches) to save a \$10 pair of shorts... just give them to the Christian Mission if one of the boys can't wear them! She says it was a mistake and denies it was a hint for me to go on a diet, but I ain't so sure. The experts on sub-conscious motives would probably agree with my suspicions - she is sending a clear message that the time has arrived to cut back on the calories.

It is fresh vegetable time in South Alabama. We can attest to that by the delicious peas a friend brought us last week and the beautiful tomatoes another friend dropped off here Monday. Add to all that the snap beans and bell peppers dropped off Monday by a third good ol' buddy and you can see we are experts on the matter. Missing from this mix is the meat to go with all these vegetables... maybe some of our readers will mention this to our g-o-o-o-o-d friends at Kelley Foods! After all they would be doing their part to keep us off welfare rolls, which would only increase their taxes.

Balancing the federal budget is "the thing to do." That is why President Clinton jinked his budget proposal and joined the Republicans in proposing cuts to bring about a balanced budget by early in the next century. There are three major proposals "on the table" at this time - one by the President, one each by the House and the Senate. The House bill does the most drastic cutting, followed by the Senate version. Clinton's plan uses more fancy footwork to assure a balanced budget and therefore he needed to do less cutting. America must get back to a balanced budget - at least some of the time. For a number of years, it has been deficit spending in good times and in bad times and that won't float forever.

Last Saturday afternoon we were out sweeping sand and trash in front of our Buford Street office with a big ol' stable broom and twice had someone stop and mention the prisoners sitting in the air conditioning watching TV while we worked. That has become a very popular opinion these days... the vast majority of people in all our "official-scientific" polls support putting prisoners out of their air conditioned comfort and at some sort of job... at least supporting their own eating and sleeping accommodations. We read a letter-to-the-editor on this subject in some national magazine. That writer noted it would be unsafe to put murderers and rapist out on the streets. We wonder if this guy has heard of the leg chains being used in the Alabama prison system. They kinda neutralize some of the mean streaks in anyone locked in them.

Alabama Senator Richard Shelby has unveiled legislation in Washington "to put prisoners to work." He said what we hear so often in South Alabama, "...many inmates are living better than the victims of their crimes." In Shelby's bill, a state must implement work and study requirements for inmates prior to providing any prisoner privileges - that is if they get any federal prison construction monies. The privileges he listed include TV, and (hey this one is great!) food exceeding in quality or quantity to that which is available to enlisted personnel in the U.S. Army. Also listed are access to bodybuilding equipment and other sports, unmonitored phone calls, musical instruments, coffee pots, hot plates, etc. Go for it Senator!

We hope none of our readers miss the big ad in this week's paper dealing with the proposed casino gambling bills presently before the Alabama legislature. The ad explains it's purpose. You read it and you decide your personal position... just be sure you don't send it in with your neighbor's name as that could cause some real trouble for all concerned later on down the line.

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ELBA POLICE REPORT

JUNE 13 Thru JUNE 19, 1995

The Elba Police Department, beginning Tuesday, June 13, 1995, investigated the following incidents: four thefts of property, one unauthorized use of a vehicle, four criminal misdeeds, three harassments, two reckless endangerments, one criminal trespass, three assaults, and one unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle.

During the week, the following arrests were made: two for burglary, one for criminal trespass, one for harassing communication, one for criminal mischief, two for violation of the boom box ordinance, one for public lewdness, one for indecent exposure, and one for unlawful falsification to authorities under the influence of alcohol.

The following traffic citations were issued: five for speeding, two for driving while driver's license are suspended, three for no driver's license, two for expired tag, two for DUI, one for improper lights, one for an expired driver's license, and one for driver's license required.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:
TUESDAY, JUNE 13 - River stage - 4.55 feet (615 a.m.); Wreck on Taylor Mill Road (1:51 p.m.); Fire reported on Martin Luther King Drive (7:23 p.m.); Disturbance reported on Guyton St. (11:08 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14 - Attempted breaking and entering at Powell's Circle (3:15 a.m.); River stage - 3.82 feet (6:38 a.m.); Rescue run to Sawyer Candy Company (9:26 a.m.); Rescue run to Co. Rd. 364 (5:04 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Taylor Mill Road (9:16 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JUNE 15 - River stage - 3.52 feet (6:22 a.m.); Wreck (vehicle vs. bicycle) at Mike's Gym (2:49 p.m.); Possible disturbance at Elba Villas (8:23 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JUNE 16 - River stage - 3.30 feet (6:20 a.m.); Alarm at Elba High School (10:19 a.m.); Fight reported on Guyton St. (6:40 p.m.); Shots fired at Burch's Trailer Court (11:15 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JUNE 17 - River stage - 3.10 feet (6:36 a.m.); Wreck reported on U.S. Highway 84E.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following persons admitted during the time period of June 13, 1995 through June 19, 1995.

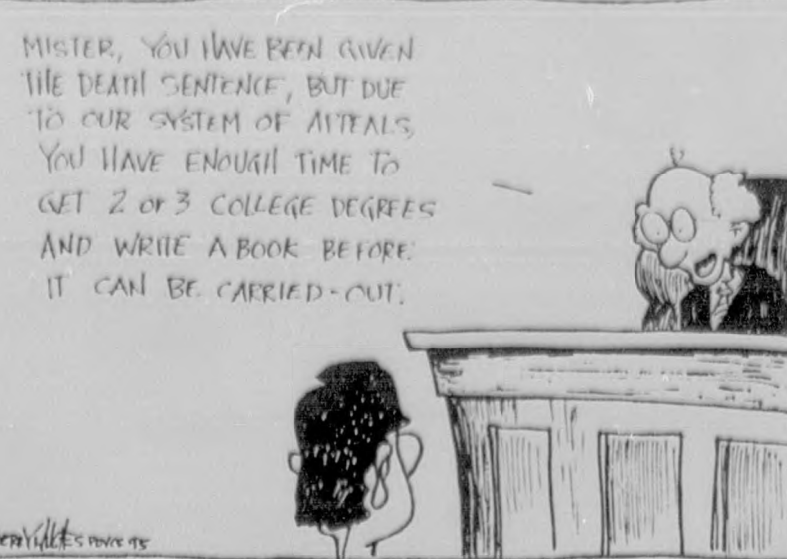
They were: Lois Lee, John Griffin, Vassie Ward, Bessie Jacobs, Clarence Fowler, Thomas Robinson, Gwen Rayborn, Iva McCreary, Albert Martin, Ann Davis, Mary Rice, Brenda Nelson, Stephen Powell, Adam Waddall, Cynthia Hudson, Ona Hudson, Annie Williams, Kathleen Schindler, Mary Smith, Lula Cole, Emma Lee, Michelle Maddox, R. S. Jones, Linda Taylor, Amanda Moore, Sam Sawyer, Mary Grogg, and Annise Griswold.

Patients discharged during the same period of time were: Annie Williams, Albert Martin, Brenda Nelson, Mary Grogg, John Daniels, Foy Flowers, Bessie Jacobs, Lois Lee, Alto Rushing, Thomas Robinson, Hazel McGinn, Wendell Dandley, Totsye Hilton, Clarence Fowler, Iva McCreary, Ann Davis, John Griffin, Kathleen Schindler, Adam Waddall, Linda Odum, Mary Rice, Cynthia Hudson, and Amanda Moore.

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GUEST EDITORIAL

The Senator's Position

by Dwight Adams
Ala. State Senator 31st District

Below are positions that I, and other conservative senators, have taken on issues that have come before the Alabama Senate this past week. I appreciate your input on these positions and invite you to communicate with me on the important issues that come before the legislature.

An event which gained a lot of attention this past week in the Alabama Senate was the introduction of bills to install gambling casinos in our communities in Alabama. The legislation is being pushed by gambling magnate Milton McGregor who also wants the right to own these casinos.

What makes this more unusual is that since the casino bill appears to be a revenue raising bill, it must be introduced to the House of Representatives, not the Senate, according to the Alabama Constitution. In fact many legal authorities, including a recent letter to senators from Attorney General Jeff Sessions, state that revenue raising matters must originate in the House. This caused many to ask why would casino gambling forces have their bill introduced in the Senate when the appropriate place is in the House. Some say it is a last gasp maneuver, a casino gambling session. Ca-



sino promoters know their bill would be easily killed in the House, so they are trying to get up the bill in the Senate, even at the risk of it being unconstitutional. I, along with other Republican lawmakers, held a news conference to expose the dubious tactics the powerful gambling interests are attempting.

Regarding the important area of education, the Alabama Senate has received Governor Fob James' education package that was passed by the House of Representatives. When the education bill is put on the calendar the Senate will have the historic opportunity to change the education system and put it on a sound foundation in addressing these bills. Such education package includes a strong accountability section which is

made up of a core curriculum and direct methods to improve schools which lag behind. A teacher testing provision requires testing of new teachers before they are certified. Such test would be a nationally normed test such as the NTE to determine basic competency to teach. Also a corporal punishment bill allows teachers and principals to use necessary discipline in the classroom to keep order without the fear of unnecessary lawsuits when they do their job. So long as teachers keep within corporal punishment and discipline policy of their local school boards, they are immune from civil and criminal liability. Also established is a foundation program to stabilize the financing of education in our State without tax increases. A \$150 million bond issue is authorized to insure that all of our school systems have adequate and safe buildings.

This education package will be a fundamental new step to help put Alabama into the mainstream of educational progress. The Senate Education Committee has reported the package out favorably on Thursday and as soon as we can get it up to a vote in the Senate, we will be able to act on it.

Again, I am always open to your suggestions and differing opinions and welcome your comments.

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YOUNG WORLD 1995 GRADUATES...The Young World of Learning Kindergarten and Day Care held their 4th annual graduation on May 19, 1995. The program was presented by the students. The individuals promoted to 4 year kindergarten are the ones pictured without caps and gowns. Front row (l to r) Courtney Nelson, Shelby Adcock, Rachel Morrow, and April Finedore; middle row (l to r) Jeremy Nott, Maeghann Hawthorne, Megan Sullivan, Drew Ellis, and Bobby Hudson who was promoted to 5 year kindergarten. Back row (l to r) Brooke Stinson, Graham Morrow, Caitlin Tindell, Christopher Salter, Whitney Davis, and James Foster, all were promoted to 5 year kindergarten.

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Letter To The Editor

Dear Ferrin:

I still enjoy reading *The Elba Clipper* after all these years. I even read those "Brainstorms". Keep up the good work and renew my subscription for 2 more years.

Charles Holloway
Franklin, NC

MacArthur Tech President's and Dean's Lists released

Fifty-two students maintained "A" averages during Spring Quarter 1995, qualifying them to be listed on the MacArthur State Technical College President's List. Honor students include: Marsha D. Cronk and Betty S. Young, both of Brantley, AL; Donna L. Finedore, Mark D. Flowers, and Melanie D. Snell, all of Elba, AL; Brenda Sue McDermont of Jack, AL; Aaron P. Davis and Tonya A. Rabren, both of Kinston, AL; and Billy L. Dickey of New Brockton, AL.

Sixty-four students maintained a grade point average of 3.5 or above during the Spring Quarter 1995, qualifying them to be listed on the MacArthur State Technical College Dean's List. These students are: Belinda J. Street of Brantley, AL; Belinda K. Hudson, Toshi M. Nunn, Kimberlie M. Ross, and Marion L. White, all of Elba, AL; Michael Paul Parker of Jack, AL; and Clifford G. Patterson of Kinston, AL.

Troy State University names honor students

The names of Troy State University students whose spring quarter grades earned them placement on the Chancellor's or Provost's lists have been announced by Dr. Lawrence Lovik, provost for the TSU System. The Chancellor's List recognizes full-time undergraduate students earning a straight A average. The Provost's List recognizes full-time undergraduate students earning a grade point average of 3.65 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Chancellor's List honorees from Elba, AL are as follows: Christopher K. Craig, Karen Leigh Ellis, Donna Jean Holcomb, April Thomas Kelley, Mark Wesley Moseley, Carolyn Gayle Pyffrom, Angelika B. Windham.

Provost's List honorees from Elba, AL are as follows: Melissa Lynn Harrison, Joan Melissa Maddox, Tracy Jean McInnis, Delisa Blair Parrish.

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AREA DEATHS

MOSES LIPTROT

Moses Liptrot, age 55, died Sunday, June 11, 1995 in a Montgomery, Alabama hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, June 15, 1995 from Bethel AME Church of Brundidge, AL with Elder David Reddick officiating.

Burial followed in the church cemetery with Virgil Coleman Mortuary directing. Survivors include his mother, Dora Mae Liptrot of Brundidge, AL; 14 children, Sabrina Liptrot of Chicago, Illinois, Jerome Stunford, Greg Stunford, Donella Liptrot, Gail Greene and John Dale Stunford, all of Ozark, AL; Stephanie (James) Newsome of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Vernon Liptrot of Clis, AL; Shyrin Liptrot and Angela Liptrot of Arlton, AL; Michael Liptrot, Craig Liptrot, Tamika Liptrot, and Asia V. Liptrot, all of Ft. Lauderdale, FL; three brothers, Leevo (Ira Jean) Liptrot of Brundidge, AL; Dallas Liptrot of Cincinnati, Ohio; Willie James (Beverly) Liptrot of Newark, New Jersey; six sisters, Grace Hall and Catherine (Louie) White of Cincinnati, OH; Zedell (Melvin) Coleman of Newark, NJ.

Survivors include his mother, Dora Mae Liptrot of Brundidge, AL; one aunt, Emma Haynes of New Brockton, AL; one uncle, Greg Stunford of Brundidge, AL; 18 grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, and friends. He was preceded in death by one brother, Foy Liptrot, Jr.

BARNEY E. HALL

Barney E. Hall passed away at Mizell Memorial Hospital, Opp, AL, on Thursday, June 8, 1995.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, June 10, 1995 from Rainer Funeral Home.

Burial followed in the Danley's Crossroads Cemetery with Rainer Funeral Home directing. Survivors include his wife, Florence K. Hall; Beckie McGowan and Pearl Brunson, both of Plant City, Florida, and Ann Martin of Pensacola, FL.

Pallbearers were Shawn Hall and James Hall, both of Pine Level, AL; Garry Tittle of Pensacola, FL; Charles Hall of Opp, AL; Jeff Smith of New Brockton, AL; and Ivan Smith of Dothan, AL.

MAE LOUISE YOUNG

Mae Louise Young, age 89 of Elba, Alabama, died Wednesday, June 14, 1995 in an Elba, AL hospital.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, June 16, 1995 from Hayes Funeral Home Chapel.

Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery of Elba, AL with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include one daughter, Dot Baker of Elba, AL; 7 grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren.

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Craig A. Hermseier

Army Spec. Craig A. Hermseier has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal.

The medal is awarded to soldiers for meritorious service, acts of courage, or other outstanding accomplishments.

Hermseier is an aircraft structural repairer at Fort Bragg, Fayetteville, NC.

He is the son of Carolyn A. McCoy of Headland, AL and Walter H. Hermseier of Elba, AL.

The specialist is a 1989 graduate of Carroll High School, Ozark, AL.



Mother & Daddy

IN LOVING MEMORY of our son, Billy Wayne McKinnon, Deputy Sheriff of Coffee County 1982-1987. We are deeply grateful for the Lord's comfort and assurance that Billy's death was not in vain. We express our deepest love and gratitude from his mother and father, Billy and Doris McKinnon, his sister, Linda Knighten, and her husband, Ted Knighten, and her two children, Jason and Amanda Mercer.

Our most recent findings establish that our son's cause of death is inconclusive. We have the assurance that there were no suicidal tendencies or actions associated with our son's death. Our family wants to share the comfort and assurance this knowledge brings us.

SE AL Chapter of Autism Society
of America to sponsor workshop

The Southeast Alabama Chapter of Autism Society of America will be sponsoring a summer workshop July 24 through 28. The workshop is open to all parents of children that have a diagnosis of autism, autistic tendencies, pervasive developmental delay (PDD-NOS), ADD, ADHD, and any other related disorder. It is also open to all teachers that work with children with special needs.

The workshop will be held at the Coffee County Board of Education building in Elba, Alabama. There is no registration fee, however each participant is required to purchase the book "Teaching Developmentally Delayed Children." This book will be ordered by the chapter, and must be paid for at the beginning of the workshop.

Due to limited space, only the first forty (40) applicants will be accepted. To receive an application and workshop agenda, please call Connie Kelley at 334-293-4760, or send a written request to Southeast

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Selected scripture: 1 Peter 3:9-13.

Thinking of you, praying for you. The Young family, the Harvey family, the DeLacey family, Mrs. Lula Cole, Mrs. Annie Williams, Mrs. Ernestine Kelley, Mrs. Jackie Richardson, Mrs. Everett Askew, Mrs. Lillian Tanks, Mr. Jqn L. Lee, Rev. Willie Bass.

Family & Friends Day
Celebration

Annual Homecoming - Family and Friends Day was celebrated at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, Tarentum Community, Brundidge, AL, on June 18, 1995. Rev. A.R. Williams is pastor. Those attending from Rocky Head MB Church, Elba, AL, were: Bessie Williams, La'Ray Chastity, Keitha and Bretta, Hattie Bell Carpenter, Leo Henderson, Mozelle McCormick, Brittany Daniels, J.L. and Estella Williams, Cathryn Carpenter, Wallace and Mattie Belcher, R.C. and Annie Pearl Carpenter, Ernestine Kelley, Grover and Eria Belcher.

Revival Services
Annual Revival Services will begin at the Shady Grove AME Church, Elba, AL, Rev. Freddie Flowers, pastor, June 26-30, 1995, at 7:00 nightly. Rev. G.L. Townsend, pastor of St. Paul AME Church of Ozark, AL, will be the Evangelist for the week.

Monday night, June 26, 1995: Shady Grove AME, Elba, AL; Elba Zion Baptist, Elba, AL; Rocky Head MB Church, Elba, AL; St. Stephens AME, Opp, AL; and Bethlehem, Elba, AL.
Tuesday night, June 27, 1995: Bethel AME, Elba, AL; Piney Grove Baptist, Opp, AL; Oak Grove Baptist, Elba; Collins Chapel AME, New Brockton, AL; Bethel AME, Brundidge, AL; and St. Paul AME, Brundidge, AL.
Wednesday night, June 28, 1995: St. Paul AME, Scomersville, AL; Johns Chapel AME, Enterprise, AL; New Zion AME, Enterprise, AL; and New Zion Baptist, Elba, AL.
Thursday night, June 29, 1995: Mt. Calvary Baptist, Elba, AL; Harris Temple COGIC, Elba, AL; St. Mark AME, Daleville, AL; Memorial COGIC, New Brockton, AL; and Pea River Baptist, New Brockton, AL.
Friday night, June 30, 1995: St. Paul AME, Ozark, AL; Bethel AME, Florida, AL; St. Matthew AME, Lockhart, AL; St. Matthew AME, Brantley, AL; Popular Springs Baptist, New Brockton, AL; and Springfield Baptist Church, New Brockton, AL.

Teleata W. Tillis
Air Force Airman Teleata W. Tillis has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Tillis is the daughter of Dorothy J. Tillis of Brantley. She is a 1994 graduate of Brantley High School.

Milton Belcher, Bettye and Ki Ki, Warren Belcher, Dora and Christopher, all of Montgomery, AL, Joyce Johnson and Kathy of Tusculum, AL visited Grover and Eria Belcher for Father's Day weekend.



Geneather Paige

Field Representative
qualifies for membership
in the President's Clubs

Geneather Paige, 3723 Executive Center Dr., Martinez, field representative for Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society, has qualified for membership in the President's Clubs, National President John G. Bookout announced.

Ms. Paige's membership in the Millionaire Section of the President's Clubs is in recognition of outstanding insurance sales production and professional conduct during the past year.

Ms. Paige and other members of the clubs will be guests of President Bookout at a July meeting in Vancouver and Alaska.

Geneather Kelly Paige is the daughter of Prineell Kelly of Elba, AL, and the late Bobby Kelly. She is a graduate of the Warren Smith High School and valedictorian of her class. She is married to Tommy (Jerry) Paige and has three children. She attended Career Academy and completed her studies to be a medical assistant. Later, she attended Enuer-

prise State Junior College studying courses to become a legal secretary. Through her husband's work she has chosen a career that makes her happy and a blessing to the lives she comes in contact with.

Geneather has resided in Augusta, Georgia for the past 3 1/2 years. She is involved with this career as an Insurance Representative for Woodmen of the World through her training skills. After passing the Profile with this company, she began her career on January 2, 1994. She is now a member of the President's Millionaire Club and serves on the Board of Directors for Central Georgia. She has a satisfying career and gives thanks to God for her many blessings.

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Looby was born in Antigua, British West Indies and came to the U.S. in 1914. His education prepared him for a legal career which he began in 1928. He also taught law, medical jurisprudence, and business administration in various colleges. He was a city councilman in Nashville for more than 20 years. Looby was noted for his work in pioneer Civil

rights cases throughout the 1950's. He was director of the Legal Defense Division of the NAACP and defended numerous students arrested in sit-in demonstrations in the early 1960's, his home was destroyed by a dynamite bomb which damaged several other homes and blew out 147 windows at Meharry Medical College. Looby had been chief counsel for 153 students arrested for two months of sit-in protests. He was not intimidated and continued as counsel for the students.

America's Black Heritage Calendar

NAACP Branch #5017 General Membership Meeting

The monthly general membership meeting for the Coffee County NAACP, Branch #5017, will be held Saturday, June 24, 1995. This meeting will be held at the Johns Chapel AME Church, Geneva Street, Enterprise, AL, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Topics of interest will be highlights of the State Board Meeting, and plans for a "County Wide Membership and Educational Drive." All interested persons should be present and on time.

For more information please call Charlie Harris at 894-5482, Tyrone Etheredge at 393-2878, or Lawrence DeRamus at 347-9723.

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South Alabama Motor Speedway is located on Highway 52 between Opp and Kinross, AL. Races are every Saturday night through October with six classes racing weekly. Gates open at 4:00 p.m. and racing begins at 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$7.00 adults, \$2.00 children (6-12 yrs.), and children 5 and under are admitted free.

Racing results from Saturday, June 17 are as follows:
Mini-Stock: 1st place - #9 Ray Eiland of Elba, AL; 2nd place - #27 Kenny Slawson of Enterprise, AL; 3rd place - #02 Melvin Cooper of Enterprise, AL.
Scrambler: 1st place - #20 Wayne Slawson of Enterprise, AL; 2nd place - #01 David Cooper of Enterprise, AL; 3rd place - #15 Royce Watson of Luverne, AL.
Hoge: 1st place - #16 John Westfall of Opp, AL; 2nd place - #81 Jason Cherry of Dothan, AL; 3rd place - #10 Kenneth Adkins of Daleville, AL.
Super Stock: 1st place - #7 Tommy Adams of New Brockton, AL; 2nd place - #48 Todd Johnson of Enterprise, AL; 3rd place - #11 Dennis Bell of Enterprise, AL.
Limited Sportsman: 1st place - #00 Scott Shipes of Clilo, AL; 2nd

place - #51 Dennie Perkins of Brundage, AL; 3rd place - #44 Corey Dunn of Midland City, AL.

Sportsman: 1st place - #4 Nix Bruce of Opp, AL; 2nd place - #22 Ronnie Strawder of Enterprise, AL; 3rd place - #81 Chris Johnson of Dothan, AL.

Correction made to Elba Elementary Honor Roll

Elba Elementary School notified our office that Bradley Bane, a second grader, was left off the "A & B Honor Roll" by mistake. They extend their apologies.

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Emily Smith

Emily Smith wins
Texas vocal
competition

Emily Smith from Brownwood, Texas was awarded the All State vocal title as the state's outstanding vocalist in the Elementary II Category during the State Junior Festival on May 20, 1995. The State Junior Festival, sponsored by the Texas Federation of Music Clubs, was held on the campus of Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos, Texas.

Following her competition, Emily was invited to perform at the Honors Recital during which she was presented her plaque. Her required composition was "Home on the Range." Emily has just completed her first year of voice instruction under the direction of Ms. Rebecca Moreland in the pre-college program of Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas.

Emily is a ten year old fifth grader in Brownwood's Woodland Heights Elementary School. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jack Smith of Brownwood. Emily is the granddaughter of Mrs. Margaret Brunson Smith and the late Mr. Henry J. Smith of Elba, Alabama and of Mrs. Randall Hawks and the late Mr. Randall Hawks of Blytheville, Arkansas. Emily has one sister, Natalie, who is 8 years old.

Computer
Courses offered
at AATC

The following computer courses have been added to Alabama Aviation and Technical College's summer quarter schedule. Registration is simple and may be completed through the Friday before the course begins.

Introduction to WordPerfect, CIS 194, will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays, July 8 and 15. This two credit-hour course is designed for persons who want to develop basic word processing skills using WordPerfect software.

Advanced WordPerfect, CIS 196, is for individuals with basic WordPerfect skills who want to learn new techniques using the WordPerfect software. This two credit-hour course will meet Saturdays, July 22 and 29, from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Lotus 1-2-3, CIS 197, is a two credit-hour course for individuals who want to use the Lotus software to produce spreadsheets. The class will meet from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays, August 12 and 19.

For more information or to register, contact AATC's Admissions Office at 774-5113, ext. 221, or (800) 624-3468, ext. 221.



Sarah Elizabeth Moody

Sarah Elizabeth
Moody to celebrate
8th birthday June 23

Sarah Elizabeth (Lisa) Moody of Hoover, AL, will be celebrating her eighth birthday on Friday, June 23. She and her sister, Katie, are visiting their grandmother, Sara Moody, and great grandfather, Jay Moody, in Elba for two weeks before going to Greenville to visit their other grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Autrey and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Autrey. Lisa will be in the third grade at Shades Mountain Elementary School in Hoover next year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Moody of Hoover, AL.

ESJC Youth Camp openings still available
at main campus

Openings still exist for most of the classes offered in this summer's Youth College at Enterprise State Junior College's main campus! This special program is scheduled for July 24-28, from 1:30-5:00 p.m. Grades 3-8 may participate (grade levels refer to the grade the child will enter in the fall of 1995). Some

classes are already taken: Registration deadline is July 18, so register your child today. Each course has a \$20 registration fee and is limited to 15-25 students. If a student registers for three classes, the student will receive a free Youth College t-shirt. To register, you must come by the ESJC Fort Rucker office in Building

#5008 or the Admissions Office in the ESJC Administration Building in Enterprise. No registrations will be taken over the telephone. You must also bring your child's social security number in order to register him/her for classes. Fees are due at the time of registration. For more information call 393-ESJC, ext. 234.

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Alabamians should
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to vote on the
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One issue that the citizens of Alabama should vote on is whether or not our state will have a lottery and casino gaming. In fact, polls show that over 90% of Alabamians believe this issue should be decided by the voters.

Legislation has been introduced in the State Legislature to authorize a state lottery and allow strictly regulated casino gaming in Alabama. This legislation will only become law if it is passed by the Legislature and approved by the voters in a statewide election.

The Legislation:

- Designates guaranteed funding (\$63 million) for local community needs, without increasing taxes
- Earmarks money for classroom instruction and a scholarship program
- Sets up tough regulatory and enforcement systems
- Limits the number and location of casinos
- Will help keep Alabama dollars in Alabama

Alabamians from throughout
the state want to vote on this
issue...

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Norwood Rousell
Superintendent of Education,
Macon County

"Bringing in the lottery and gaming will stop the flow of Alabama dollars to surrounding states. I hope voters have a chance to vote on this issue."

Tom Scott
Vice President and General Manager,
Twin Pines Resort & Conference Center
in Shelby County

"Bringing gaming to Alabama will enable us to have a much needed firefighters' retirement fund like they already have in Mississippi, Florida and Georgia."

Bill Lowrey,
Alabama State Fire Chiefs Association
Past President, Jefferson County
Volunteer Department

"The casino industry will create 28,000 jobs in Alabama."

Dave Lewis, Ph.D.,
Chairman Emeritus, Department of
Economics at UAB

"We should have a vote on this issue. The legislature's failure to put the issue on the ballot will deny Alabamians of their right to vote on one of the most important economic issues in our lifetime."

Fred Gray,
Attorney for Martin Luther King, Jr.
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Author of *Bus Ride to Justice*

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Views from....

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Melanie and Melissa have taken advantage of the recent sunny weather to make almost daily visits to the city pool. The girls only stay for an hour or two a day; however, they make the most of the time they get to spend in the pool and have the sunburned faces and shoulders to prove it. Hey, summer is supposed to be fun and nothing is more fun for kids than going swimming!

COUNTY ATHLETES HONORED AS STATE'S BEST

The Alabama Sportswriters Association held its annual awards banquet last week in Birmingham and two young men from Coffee County were among the honorees. Elba's Ronald McKinnon was named as the state's "Small College Athlete of the Year" for his outstanding play in leading the University of North Alabama to its second straight national championship, while New Brockton's Hunter Harris was named the state's "Junior College Athlete of the Year" for winning individual honors at the National Junior College golf tournament.

Coffee County has always been a hotbed for athletes and now we've got the awards to prove it!

PICKING ALL-STARS IS NO EASY TASK

The coaches for the various leagues in Elba have been meeting for the past week trying to make certain that they pick the very best, and most deserving players for all the All-Star teams that will represent the city in upcoming tournaments. All the coaches have expressed concern that everyone that deserves to be on the team makes the team; however, after sitting in on the selections, there is no way that every single youngster that deserves to be an All-Star can make the team. If your child isn't picked, give him or her an extra big hug and let them know that as long as they have fun, and give it their best, they will always be winners and always be All-Stars in your eyes.

TENNIS LESSONS WILL HELP FILL VOID

Many parents in town are worried now that ball season is over, their kids won't have anything to do for the rest of the summer. I believe that there are even more parents that are glad the seasons are over; however, for those of you that want to give the kids something to do, why not sign 'em up for tennis lessons with the Recreation Department. This summer the Rec Department is working with a professional instructor to bring quality lessons to Elba, and this should give the kids a chance to really learn the game, and at the same time, get out of the house and get some exercise. Sounds like fun to me!

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Sports

14-year-old All-Stars to compete

Babe Ruth tourney to start Monday in Elba

The Babe Ruth Baseball "Tournament Trail" will begin next week in Elba when the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation hosts the District 8 "14-Year-Old Babe Ruth Baseball Tournament" at Legion Field.

The double-elimination tourney will begin on Monday, June 26, with a doubleheader between Elba and Brundidge. The first game will begin at 6:00, with the nightcap to begin fifteen minutes after the completion of the opening game. If a third game is necessary, it will be held on Tuesday, June 27, at 7:00.

"This is the first year that Babe Ruth Baseball has held a tournament for the 14-year-olds," said Elba Recreation Director Ricky Mularz, "but all the leagues are excited about having the chance to let more players become involved in all-star competition, and we think it is great for our program."

Andalusia and Opp are also in District 8; however, Opp is hosting the South State Tournament and received a bye into the tournament, while Andalusia is hosting the State Championship Series, and received a bye into the Series.

"Brundidge feels like it has a very strong group of fourteen-year-olds," added Mularz, "and we also think we've got a good group. The

1995 BABE RUTH BASEBALL LEAGUE
ALL-STAR TEAMS

13-YEAR-OLD

BRADLEY BOWERS
JOSH LAWFORD
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JASON MCKENZIE
JOSH LEWIS
DERRICK DUNCAN
DUSTIN STINSON
ERIC JORDAN
JERRY DUBOSE
JEP DUBOSE
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TIM HOLLOMAN
KELLEN COLE
ASHLEY PAUL
PATE HARRISON
COACHES:
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DANNY STINSON
JEFF HARRELSON

14-YEAR-OLD

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LANCE BAILEY
MARK WICKER
CHARLIE DRIGGERS
MAURICE JONES
TONY BURKS
DANIEL MURDOCK
JEROD SIMMONS
ANDREA FLOWERS
TERRICK EDWARDS
ROBBY KINSAUL
JEREMY DAWKINS
BRAD HOLLEY
KEVIN DODD
CLINT COWEN
COACHES:
BOB GLOVER
JOE SIMMONS
BOBBY KINSAUL

15-YEAR-OLD

WADE PARKER
DEREK MARLER
BUDDY MADDOX
JOSEPH SANDERS
CHAD MOORE
JASON ALLUMS
TOMMY HATAWAY
LADON DANIELS
RONNIE DAVIS
JARRELL SMEDLEY
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JOSH DAWKINS
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MICKEY MARLER
CHRIS THOMAS

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Dodgers finish 10-1-1 to take Coach-Pitch crown

The Coach-Pitch Baseball League ended its season last week with the Dodgers claiming the league title with a 10-1-1 record.

Following are highlights of last

week's action:

METS 18
CARDINALS 14
The Mets rallied to edge the

Cardinals 18-14.

Duke Carr, Lance Cross and Chase Boutwell all scored 3 runs for the Mets, while Richard Barlow, Rob Allen and Jamarius Anderson all scored twice. Stetson Pettit and Brandon Farris scored 3 runs each for the Cardinals, while Josh Nelson scored twice.

PIRATES 22
DODGERS 21

The Pirates handed the Dodgers their first loss of the season by posting an exciting 22-21 win. Marquize Tyson, Lance Gutley, Lamar Bogges and Mason Gutley all scored 3 runs for the Pirates, while Clark Skinner, Michael Harvey and Alex Benbow all scored twice. Hayden Osborn, Bradley Bane, Heath Parker and Leray Williams scored 3 runs each for the Dodgers, while Drew Parker, Roy Rogers and Zane Hall all scored twice.

DODGERS 19
METS 15

The Dodgers closed out the season with a 19-15 win over the Mets. Drew Parker, Roy Rogers, Hayden Osborn and Bradley Bane all scored 3 runs for the Dodgers, while Heath Parker and Ron Hill both scored twice. Lewis Johnson scored 3 runs for the Mets, while Justin Williams, Duke Carr, Richard Barlow and Justin Knight all scored twice.

PIRATES 17
CARDINALS 10

The Pirates closed out the season with a 17-10 win over the Cardinals. Alex Benbow and Marquize Tyson both scored 3 runs for the Pirates, while Juan Starks, Lance Gutley, Matthew Snell and Lamar Bogges all scored twice. Brandon Farris scored 3 runs for the Cardinals, while Justin Grimes and Kevin Parks both scored twice.

COACH-PITCH BASEBALL
LEAGUE

FINAL STANDINGS

DODGERS	10	1	1
PIRATES	7	5	1
METS	4	5	3
CARDINALS	1	11	1

Tennis lessons to be
taught in Elba in July

The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation will hold an organizational meeting on Monday, July 10, at 10:00 a.m., for all boys and girls interested in taking tennis lessons.

The meeting will take place at the tennis complex at Hawkins-Williams Park, and parents are encouraged to attend.

Tennis lessons will be offered this summer by Bill "Wink" Morris, of Samson, a member of the United States Professional Tennis Registry who has taught lessons

across Southeast Alabama and Northwest Florida for the past twenty years.

Morris was a member of the tennis teams at Marion Institute and Troy State University, and won the N.A.A. Sectional Championship while at Troy State. He is a graduate of the Dennis Van der Meer Tennis University and received a professional ranking.

Morris will offer individual and group lessons in Elba in July and August, and plans to form a youth tennis organization within the city.



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In Girl's Softball League

Ducks & Yellowjackets claim titles

The Girl's Softball League closed out its regular season last week with the Ducks and Yellowjackets claiming championships in their respective divisions.

The Ducks posted a 6-2 record to win the Coach-Pitch division, while the Yellowjackets posted a perfect 9-0 record to win the title in the 12 and Under Division.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

DUCKS 16
MUSTANGS 13
The Ducks jumped ahead early and held on to edge the Mustangs 16-13.

Summer McDonald and Lyndsay Lawford both scored 3 runs for the Ducks, while Leanna Sutley scored twice. Lacy Carlisle scored 3 runs for the Mustangs, while Michelle Carpenter, Cassie Cooper and Autumn Parker all scored twice.

BRUINS 13
WILDCATS 12
The Bruins jumped out to an early 13-2 lead and held on late to slip past the Wildcats 13-12.

Jami Hall and Aubrette Williams both got 3 hits for the Bruins, while Roshanda McKinnon added 2. Casey Skinner got 3 hits for the Wild-

cats, while Rachel Grimes, Amy Kirkland and Sheena Brooks all added 2.

INDIANS 11
BEARS 5
The Indians rallied to down the Bears 11-5.

Jessica Danford scored 3 runs for the Indians, while Shacuna Hammonds, Catina Washington, Jessica Moore and Ashley Gibson all scored twice. Cassie Cooper scored 2 runs for the Bears.

YELLOWJACKETS 13
GATORS 3
The Yellowjackets put the wraps on an unbeaten season with a 13-3 win over the Gators.

Charley Barlow got 3 hits for the 'Jackets, while Devri Kilcrease, Melissa Sanders and Courtney Jackson all added 2. Lauren Sutley got 2 hits for the Gators.

INDIANS 13
BEARS 11
The Indians scored 5 runs in their final at-bat to slip past the Bears 13-11.

Jessica Moore, Jessica Danford and Shacuna Hammonds all scored 3 runs for the Indians, while Ashley Gibson scored twice. Ashley Carley scored 4 runs for the Bears and Anna Harrison scored 3.

ELBA GIRL'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE
FINAL STANDINGS

12 & UNDER DIVISION

	W	L	T
YELLOWJACKETS	9	0	0
WILDCATS	5	4	0
BRUINS	4	5	0
GATORS	0	9	0

COACH-PITCH DIVISION

DUCKS	6	2	0
INDIANS	4	3	0
MUSTANGS	2	4	1
BEARS	2	5	1

Rangers & Cubs roll along

The Babe Ruth Baseball League season headed down the home-stretch last week with the Rangers and Cubs battling for the league title.

Following are last week's highlights:

RANGERS 21
MARINERS 11

The Rangers scored runs in bunches to outscore the Mariners 21-11.

The Rangers led only 3-1 after one inning, but added 5 runs in the second and then scored 9 runs in the third to pull away.

Dustin Stinson and Josh Dawkins both got 3 hits for the Rangers,

while Garrett Boutwell added 2. Lee Flowers, Robby Kinsaul and Chad Trawick all got 2 hits for the Mariners.

CUBS 7
MARLINS 2

Brooks Creel tossed a 4-hitter and struck-out 8 batters to lift the Cubs to a 7-2 win over the Marlins.

The Cubs led only 3-1 in the top of the fourth, but added insurance runs late and rode Creel's arm to the win.

Joseph Sanders and Lance Bailey got 2 hits apiece for the Cubs, while Tommy Hataway got 2 hits for the Marlins.

Tight race in men's softball

The Men's Softball League season began to wind down last week and it looks like a three-team race for the league title.

The Elba Merchants lead the standings with a 10-4 record, followed by All-Star Sports and Graphics 10-5 and Johnson Farms 9-6.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

NALLEY'S 13
ELBA A'S 12

Nalley's rallied to edge the three runs in the final inning to edge the Elba Athletics 13-12.

Chris Hodge got 3 hits for Nalley's, while Richie Rugg, Danny Nalley, Phil Rugg, Michael Walden, Bean Johnson and D. Bush all added 2. Ready, Fletcher, Jones and Fungee all got 3 hits for the A's, while Bowie and Granger both added 2.

ALL-STAR SPORTS 15
ELBA A'S 2

All-Star Sports and Graphics ex-

ploded late to bury the Elba Athletics 15-2.

Victor Machicote got 4 hits to lead All-Star, while Keith Parker, Wynn Grimes, Jim English and Tim Tidwell all added 3, and Scott Cochran and Lawford all added 2. Fungee and Goods got 2 hits each for the A's.

ALL-STAR SPORTS 12
NALLEY'S 6

All-Star Sports and Graphics pulled away late to claim a 12-6 win over Nalley's.

Wynn Grimes and Jim English all had 3 hits for All-Star, while Josh Caldwell and Scott Cochran both added 2. Billy Mitchell, Phil Rugg and Michael Walden all got 2 hits for Nalley's.

NALLEY'S 7
JOHNSON FARMS 0

Nalley's was awarded a 7-0 win when Johnson Farms failed to field a team.

Giants claim big DYL win

The action was fast and furious last week in Dixie Youth Baseball

with all games being hotly contested.

Following are highlights:

GIANTS 11
TWINS 8

The Giants pushed across three runs in the final inning to edge the Twins 11-8.

Chad White, Chris Turner and Aaron Baxley all got 2 hits for the Giants, while Bart Barnes and Ross Adkinson got 2 hits apiece for the Twins.

WHITE SOX 6
INDIANS 2

The White Sox scored 3 runs in the final inning to surprise the Indians 6-5.

Hunter Carr and Clay Sutley both got 2 hits for the Sox, while Zack Gifford and Randy Danford had 2 hits each for the Indians.

BLUE JAYS 13
EXPOS 7

The Blue Jays pulled away late to down the Expos 13-7.

Brandon Salter got 3 hits for the Jays, while Dale Moore and Marcus Taylor both added 2. Ryan Kinsaul got 4 hits for the Expos, while Rusty Hutto added 3.

1995 ELBA GIRL'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE
ALL-STAR TEAMS

10 & UNDER

DEVRI KILCREASE
DEANN SMITH
BRITTANY DANIELS
KATIE GRIMES
MELISSA SANDERS
GRETA ROBINSON
DANAE WARE
HANNAH MARTIN
KACI GRANTHAM
LEANNA SUTLEY
MEGAN PARRISH
KAYE KIRKLAND
SAMANTHA WILLIAMS
COACHES:
MICHELLE COOPER
MIKE SANDERS

12 & UNDER

ONEITA DAVIS
HAYLEE COLEMAN
MELISSA MULARZ
AMY KIRKLAND
RENE WAMBLES
MICHELLE LEWIS
JAMI HALL
CASEY SKINNER
LAUREN SUTLEY
ROSHANDA MCKINNON
RACHEL BLUDSWORTH
AUBRETTE WILLIAMS
COURTNEY JACKSON
COACHES:
REB BLUDSWORTH
RICKY MULARZ

14 & UNDER

CHRISTY SMITH
MELISSA GRANTHAM
KENDRA VAUGHAN
JESSICA HALL
AMBER FREDERICK
MEAGHAN LEE
VAUGHAN BOYD
LESLIE STINSON
TYEISHA TYSON
TELEISHA DANIELS
CRYSTAL JOHNSON
KATIE VAUGHAN
RAEANN MCCOLLUGH
COACHES:
LARRY GRANTHAM
JAMES SIMMONS

Three teams set to compete

Girl's All-Stars to compete this weekend

The Elba Girl's Softball League All-Stars will be on the road this weekend when they compete in the Alabama Recreation and Parks Association's District 7 Softball Tournaments.

The "10 and Under" All-Stars will travel to Dothan, while the "12

and Under" All-Stars will compete in Troy and the "14 and Under" All-Stars will travel to Abbeville.

"We have had a very successful girl's league this summer," stated Elba Recreation Director Ricky Mularz, "and we think all three all-star teams will be very competitive."

It makes it a little difficult at times when a town our size has to compete against towns like Dothan, Enterprise and Eufaula, but the girls are excited and we are confident that the teams will do well, and have fun."

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Jeannie Scott of the Alabama School of Math and Science in Mobile.
Joey Arnold of Zion Chapel High School.
Margaret Froiseth of Enterprise High School.
Melinda Tyson of Elba High School.

Each of these students are eligible to receive up to \$2,000 per year for tuition and other costs directly related to the pursuit of a four year degree at any accredited college or university.



Amy Reeves



Jeannie Scott



Joey Arnold



Margaret Froiseth



Melinda Tyson

Jeremie Bryan to exhibit cattle at 1995 Eastern Regional Jr. Angus Show

Jeremie Bryan, Elba, Alabama, will exhibit Angus cattle at the 1995 Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show in Timonium, Maryland, June 16-18, reports Richard Spader, executive vice president of the American Angus Association.

Jeremie, a junior member of the American Angus Association with headquarters in St. Joseph, Missouri, is one of 196 young Angus breeders who have entered a total of 425 head to compete for championship honors being awarded.

The Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show is sponsored by the American Angus Association. It is one of five junior Angus shows sanctioned by the national organization each year for its 8,000 active junior Angus members in the United States.

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1st Calvary Division Reunion planned

"Boots and saddles" bugle calls are sounding around the country for all veterans of the 1st Cavalry Division to mount up and head for assembly in Killeen, Texas, on August 9.

The Central Texas city, just outside Ft. Hood, is the site of the 48th Annual Reunion of the 1st Cavalry Division Association.

Cavalrymen who rode the trails of West Texas in the 1920s and 30s will swap stories with young troopers who charged across the Iraqi desert in their M-1 Abrams tanks in the 1990s. Cav troopers who endured harsh winters during the Korean War will compare hardships with veterans who served in the steaming jungles of Vietnam. And World War II cavalrymen who island hopped across the Pacific will compare armor technology with today's 1st Cavalry troopers.

For more information or to register for attendance, veterans may contact the Association Headquarters at 302 N. Main, Coppas Cove, TX 76522-1799 or call (817) 547-6537.

Soldiers who have served throughout the years with the 1st Cavalry Division have a saying - "Once Cav, always Cav".

The attendance at the annual reunions gives credence to this saying with veterans from the long past horse cavalry right up to veterans of the Gulf War traveling miles to share a few days with old buddies who were never forgotten.

The 48th Annual Reunion will end on Sunday morning, August 13, with the bugle sound of taps as fallen troopers of the First Team are remembered and honored.

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4-H AWARDS. Recently, awards were given out to the students at Elba who placed in a county contest or record book competition. They were: Chad Barbaree, photography; Jonathan Head, photography; Elizabeth Farris, dairy poster and club record; Melissa Mullar, dairy poster, poster art, club record, and county record book; Clay Suttley, peanut essay; Brandon Salter, bicycle rodeo; Brittany Daniels, club record; Wesley Kelley, club record and county record book; Alan Head, club record; Christopher Sasser, club record; Austin Booth, club record; Stephanie Sasser, club record; Kerri Lawford, club record; Cammie Kelley, club record. Not pictured is Shannon Winters, photography.

MacArthur Summer quarter registration to be through June 20



4-H SWIM PARTY. 4-H'ers from throughout the county were invited to an end-of-the-year pool party. To receive an invitation the youth had to have participated in two or more 4-H activities during the year. Nearly 100 4-H'ers attended.

Job program aids needy youth

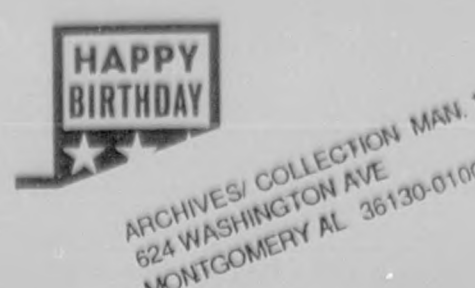
The Alabama State Employment Service will operate the 1995 Summer Youth Employment Training Program (SYETP) for economically disadvantaged youth with funding provided by the Department of Economic and Community Affairs.

According to Reda Bruce, Program Coordinator, the purpose of SYETP is to encourage school completion, provide eligible youth with exposure to the world of work and to enhance the citizenship skills of local youth.

Applications are now being taken in Coffee County and Geneva County. The jobs will range from maintenance work to clerical positions. Applications are now available at the Alabama State Employment Service located in Enterprise.

The jobs will be for a seven week period beginning June 12, 1995 and ending July 28. Youth will work 30 hours per week earning \$4.25 per hour.

Applications will be screened by the Summer Youth Office of the Alabama State Employment Service which is located at 2021 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, Alabama. All interested youth are encouraged to apply.



Happy Fourth of July!

The Elba Clipper

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COUNCIL DISCUSSES POSSIBLE INCREASE IN DOG POUND FEES

Elba business license to increase by \$4.50

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

The Elba City Council held a very short meeting Monday evening without Mayor Ricky Haywood.

It was announced that the mayor was out of town due to illness in his family.

The 20 minute meeting, with Mayor pro temp Bill Brunson presiding, took care of the basic matters but didn't "break any new ground."

The council did formally introduce an ordinance which will increase the issuance fee for business licenses from \$0.50 to \$5.00 each. This was authorized last year by the Alabama legislature and discussed

briefly a previous council meeting. The ordinance is now in line to be approved at the first in July.

A discussion on increasing the dog pound fees revealed that council members were not sure of the requirements in the present dog license ordinance. It was agreed each member would be provided with a copy of the ordinance prior to the next meeting.

The recommendation by City Clerk Henry Clark is that the present \$5 cost for the first pick-up of a loose dog be increased to \$25. Additional pick-ups will increase in \$25 increments. This is in addition to the \$2.00 feeding charge and the cost of any required shots.

Police Chief Max Hooks reported

the police had responded to 37 complaints, issued 37 traffic citations, including two for Boom Box violations. They made 18 criminal arrests and investigated three automobile accidents.

During this same period, 15 dogs were picked up by the animal control officer. None were returned to their owner.

Hooks reported he was holding meetings with area ministers to discuss community problems and ways to solve them. He said the group met on June 21st and would meet again on June 28th.

Clark reported the City of Elba's bill for Workman's Comp insurance was down this year by \$24,000. In 1993 the cost was \$78,000 and this year is \$54,528. He predicted lower cost next year if the present trend continues.

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paper stands from some of the businesses in Elba.

The two juveniles were charged in these removals. One 18-year-old was charged with two counts of theft of property in the first degree. This is a class B felony. He is also charged with one count of theft of property in the second degree, a class C felony.

The second youth was charged in connection with only one of the offenses and he is charged with one count of theft of property in the first degree.

LEAVING THE SCENE

In the same news release, police report a local juvenile has been charged in connection with an accident which occurred in Elba on May 5, 1995, at the intersection of Reese Ave. and Hickman Ave.

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DOG POUND GETS MEDIA INSPECTION. The Elba Dog Pound has recently been the object of controversy. A couple of weeks ago a news team from WTVY-TV (Channel 4), acting on a tip, made a surprise visit to the pound. Several problems were highlighted on the nightly news that caused quite a stir within the local community. On Tuesday, Jennifer Love, along with her camera man returned to the Elba Dog Pound and found that things had changed drastically - FOR THE BETTER! Pictured above taping an interview with Love is Sam Andrews (left), Elba's Animal Control Officer; and City Clerk Henry Clark. The dog pound now has automatic water dispensers and feeders, dog houses, and yes, even a fire plug at the right side of the picture. The cost of the improvements was approximately \$3,000.00. Clark also noted that the pound will now be readily accessible to the public and those missing their pet.

Recent low water pressure due to faulty pump on Elba's Well #3

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

Water well problems in Elba caused a number of homes to experience low water pressure during the past weekend. It also resulted in a plea from city officials for citizens to limit their water usage until repairs could be made.

On Monday a temporary pump was installed in Well #3 (at the Brantley Highway tank) and supply and reserves were back to normal.

However, Water Supervisor Dennis Coleman explained that the problems are not over. He said that the regular pump will be repaired and re-installed after the holiday and this may cause more inconvenience to citizens.

On July 5th the temporary pump

will be pulled from the bottom of the well. This is a full day's job, and installing the repaired pump will take two days. Then the pump must operate for several hours before the water is considered drinkable. At that point water samples must be taken and sent to Alabama Department Environmental Management (ADEM) in Montgomery.

Considering a weekend is involved, Coleman expects the Brantley Highway well to be out of operation for about a week in early July. During this time some water for the #3 tank can be supplied from other wells by opening various valves and adjusting pressures. However, citizens will be urged to conserve water to insure ample supplies for basic needs.

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COMMISSION TO DECIDE WHICH ROADS TO RESURFACE

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

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state's portion of the juvenile officers' salary. This action was to become effective on July 1st.

The county has not received any funds from the state, Department of Youth Services, since February; however, the county has been paying the three JPOs' salaries in full since that time.

Commissioners took the action in hopes that it would "put pressure" on the state legislature to provide funding to the DYS to supplement the JPOs' salaries.

All three juvenile officers were in attendance at Monday's commission meeting. Eva McGrath, speaking on behalf of the JPOs, told commissioners that they would continue to do their jobs in hopes that the legislature would provide the necessary funding in the very near future.

McGrath told commissioners, "We plan to stay right where we are regardless of what happens with the salary situation."

District Judge Steve Blair addressed the commission concerning the JPOs' salaries.

Blair told commissioners that, while he understood their action, he was concerned about the youth of the county and the future status of these officers.

He voiced hope that they, the commissioners, would review their action by checking the status of a

supplemental appropriation bill now before the state legislature.

Judge Blair had asked the county's representatives in the state legislature, Representative Garrett Moore and Senator Dwight Adams, to come and address the commission on this matter. Only Moore was in attendance at Monday's meeting.

Moore recommended that the commissioners reverse their decision to stop payment and to continue as they had been doing - paying the full amount of the JPOs' salaries.

He reasoned that although the state pays half the officers' salaries, they are looking out for local youngsters only.

Moore first told commissioners that the bill was before the Governor of Alabama for his signature; however, when he was quizzed about the specifics of the bill, he excused himself to call and check on that matter and found out differently.

After making his call, Moore informed members of the commission that the bill had not been passed, but was presently being reviewed by a committee of the legislature.

The bill provides for \$1.9 million being added to the DYS budget for the present fiscal year. This amount will only cover 62 percent of the total amount of money needed to fund the salaries of the juvenile officers as stipulated by state law. That means

that the state's portion of the salaries would be funded through July.

County Administrator quickly estimated that this would mean the county would have to pay approximately \$11,000.00 to ensure the officers received their full pay.

Moore told commissioners, "I guess the million dollar question is: 'Are the youth of Coffee County worth \$11,000.00?'"

Commissioner Wendell Black's quick response to Moore's comment was that the state legislators need to ask themselves the same question! He noted that the county has been meeting its requirements, as specified by state law, while the state has not.

Commissioner Bill Faulk commented that the money for the salaries has to come from somewhere and the county does not have a magic wand to wave to produce it.

After several minutes of discussion, the commission, in a 6-1 vote, approved funding the total salaries of the JPOs for one more month. The deadline will now be August 1st.

County Engineer Randy Tindell told commissioners that all the county's paved roads had been evaluated and that he was ready to present to them proposals for resurfacing.

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10 additional nursing home beds approved

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

The Elba General Hospital/Nursing Home received official notification this week to continue with plans to open the 10 additional nursing home beds.

Five beds will become available immediately. The other five must wait until additional work is done to comply with brand new life safety code requirements, according to hospital authorities (a new door is obsolete, even before going into use).

The plans had been on hold for several months since the Alabama State Health Planning & Development Agency (SHPDA) had frozen all new nursing home construction authorized under a 1994 state law which appeared to authorize the increased beds.

The law allowed a 10% increase in nursing home beds, if a certain annual percentage of occupancy was reached in that nursing home and certain other requirements were met.

The Elba nursing home met the requirements and had completed the necessary paperwork for the additional ten beds. They had already received written approval of their plans to convert ten unused hospital beds which are adjoining the existing nursing home however, the freeze order affected all nursing home construction.

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Controversy over recent roadblocks by law enforcement agencies continues

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

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NOTICE

THE DEADLINE FOR NEWS, SOCIAL NEWS & ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE JULY 6TH EDITION (NEXT WEEK) OF THE ELBA CLIPPER WILL BE MONDAY, JULY 3, AT NOON. THE CLIPPER WILL BE CLOSED TUESDAY, JULY 4TH.

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** HAPPENINGS **

CELEBRATION IN THE PARK. The New Brockton Beautification Committee will host a Fourth of July Celebration in the town's park located adjacent to town hall on Saturday, July 1st from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. There will be entertainment, arts and crafts for sale and plenty of food to munch on. For additional information call Diane Speigner @ (334) 894-5210.

FIREWORKS DISPLAY ON THE LAKE. The Opp Jaycees will sponsor a 4th of July Fireworks Display at Lake Frank Jackson located just off U.S. Highway 331 north of Opp. The show is scheduled to begin at approximately 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 4th. The state entry fee to the lake will be in effect until 4:00 p.m. at which time the state will begin to waive the fee for everyone entering the park.

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION. Ft. Rucker will host an Independence Day Celebration on July 4th at the Center Parade Field on Novosel Street. Festivities will get under way at 2:00 p.m. with food vendors, face painting, balloons, glow-life ropes, pony rides and many other events for the entire family. There will be band concerts, a pageant of flags and a salute to the Union. The celebration will climax with a fireworks display set to begin at 9:00 p.m.

THINK!! WRITE! WORKSHOP. A Think!! Write! Workshop for interested students in grades 2-9 will be held at the Elba Elementary School on July 10 through July 14. Teachers may participate in the workshop also. The workshop will meet Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon. A fee of \$40 will be charged. Registration forms are available for parents and teachers at Elba Elementary School. For additional information call the Elba Elementary School at 897-2814.